GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES AND MINERALS
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MANGANESE ORE MINES IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of MINES AND MINERALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of manganese ore mines in Orissa location-wise; and

(b) the steps taken for the proper exploitation of those manganese ore deposited in those mines?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES AND MINERALS

(SMT. RITA VERMA)

(a) As per information furnished by Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM), a subordinate office of Department of Mines, the number of manganese ore mines reported to have worked in Orissa during 1998-99 is as follows:-

District	Number of Mines
KEONJHAR	21
SUNDERGARH	19

(b) For conservation and systematic development of minerals and also for environmental protection, Mineral Conservation and Development Rules (MCDR), 1988 have been framedunder Section 18 of the Mines and Minerals(Development and Regulation) Act ,1957. MCDR is monitored by the Central Government through IBM. Mining operations are carried out according to the mining plan approved by IBM. Compliance of the mining plan stipulation is being checked from time to time through inspections byIBM officers. In case of irregularities, the same are pointed out by IBM under the appropriate provisions of MCDR for compliance/rectification.